REMARKS

Paragraph 26 in the Specification is amended to remove the hyperlink reference.

Polypeptide SEQ ID NO: 2 was disclosed in the Specification for parent application 09/527,084. Claims for polypeptide sequences were not allowed in the parent case since claims for the polynucleotide sequences were being prosecuted in that case.

Claims 1-28 are canceled by this amendment.

New claim 29 is added by this amendment.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the Specification and the claims are submitted for examination and allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner in charge of this case feels that there are any issues, the Examiner is urged to contact the Patent Agent listed below (pacific time zone).

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